

88th Annual Purdue Pest Management Conference – Virtual
March 18 – 29, 2024

Monday, March 18, 2024

- 8:00 – 9:00am **KEYNOTE: One Health**
[Dr. Faith Oi, University of Florida](#)
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A & RT
Where the pest control industry fits into the one health initiative by protecting health and property.
- 9:00 – 9:30am Live Q & A with Dr. Faith Oi
- 10:00 – 12:00pm **Rodenticides, EPA & ESA**
[Hardy Kern, ABC Birds & Dr. Bobby Corrigan, RMC Consulting](#)
Indiana CCHs: 2 each in 7A & RT
A two-hour presentation covering ESA and rodenticides, how the EPA reaches those decisions and how to comply with ESA concerns when using rodenticides.
- 12:00 – 12:30pm Live Q & A with Dr. Bobby Corrigan & Hardy Kern
- 1:00 pm – 2:00 pm **New Technologies**
[Jeff McGovern, The Resource Shop](#)
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 7B, 7D, 8, 12 & RT
What's new and useful for the PMP? Jeff will present information on various technologies that are now available.
- 2:00 – 2:30pm Live Q & A with Jeff McGovern

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- 8:00 – 9:00am **Doing the Math**
Dr. Cassie Krejci, Terminix
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 7B, 7D, 8, 12 & RT
Calculating for chemicals, how to prepare your solutions according to label directions.
- 9:00 – 9:30am Live Q & A with Dr. Cassie Krejci
- 10:00 – 11:00am **Truck Equipment**
Eric Ham, FMC
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 7B, 7D, 8, 12 & RT
What should be on your truck? Eric will inform the group on how to outfit your rig for the best service.
- 11:00 – 11:30am Live Q & A with Eric Ham
- 12:00 – 1:00pm **Drones**
Dale Hodgson, Rose Pest Solutions
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A & RT
Using drones for inspections and surveys including coverage of FFA and licensing issues.
- 1:00 – 1:30pm Live Q & A with Dale Hodgson
- 2:00 – 3:00pm **Protecting Public Health**
Dan Baldwin, Hawx Services
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A, 8 & RT
Dan will discuss public health in relation to food plant/stored product pests. This talk will cover the “usual suspects,” pheromones, food courts and more.
- 3:00 – 3:30pm Live Q & A with Dan Baldwin

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Wednesday, March 20, 2024

- 8:00 – 9:00am **Monitoring for German Cockroaches**
Mark “Shep” Sheperdigian, Rose Pest Solutions
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A & RT
Proper use of insect monitors for cockroaches.
- 9:00 – 9:30am Live Q & A with Shep Sheperdigian
- 10:00 – 11:00am **Cockroach Panel**
Mike Bentley, NPMA; Dr. Ameya Gondhalekar, Purdue University; Morgan Wilson, Virginia Tech; and Mark Sheperdigian, Rose Pest Solutions.
Moderated by Pete Schopen, Schopen Pest Management
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A & RT
A panel of cockroach experts will discuss recent developments in research and application.
- 11:00 – 11:30am Live Q & A with Dr. Ameya Gondhalekar, Morgan Wilson and Mark Sheperdigian
- 12:00 – 1:00pm **4x4 Ants**
Mark VanderWerp, Rose Pest Solutions
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A, 7B & RT
Four key midwestern species to know and four less common species that are challenging to control.
- 1:00 – 1:30pm Live Q & A with Mark VanderWerp
- 2:00 – 3:00pm **Building Biology & Termite Entry Points**
Dr. Faith Oi, University of Florida
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7B, 12 & RT
Faith will update the group on biology and behavior of termites plus how to identify and eliminate entry points.
- 3:00 – 3:30pm Live Q & A with Dr. Faith Oi

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Thursday, March 21, 2024

- 8:00 – 9:00am **Safety in Small Spaces**
[Jeff McGovern, The Resource Shop](#)
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 7B, 7D, 8 & RT
Staying safe in confined spaces including attics and crawlspaces, topic will include heat, PPE, asbestos awareness, animal droppings, respirators and more.
- 9:00 – 9:30am Live Q & A with Jeff McGovern
- 10:00 – 11:00am **Ticks and Tick-borne Pathogens**
[Lee Green, Indiana Department of Health](#)
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A & RT
Updates on the latest developments in ticks and tick-borne pathogen surveillance across the US with specific findings for Indiana.
- 11:00 – 11:30am Live Q & A with Lee Green
- 12:00 – 1:00pm **How to Solve the Big Problem of Small Flies**
[Dr. Jody Green, University of Nebraska-Lincoln](#)
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A & RT
In this presentation Jody will talk about the big challenge of small flies, which include fruit flies, drain flies, phorid flies, and fungus gnats. She will start off with how to easily identify each fly in order to determine and eliminate the breeding site. Breaking the life cycle is very important for small fly management in homes, businesses and especially in food service.
- 1:00 – 1:30pm Live Q & A with Dr. Jody Green

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Friday, March 22, 2024

- 8:00 – 9:00am **Zoonotics Diseases**
Jay Tischendorf, American Ecological Research Institute
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A, 8 & RT
A broad overview of infectious and zoonotic diseases, key risks and dangers associated with the species and groups with which pest control professionals typically interact.
- 9:00 – 9:30am Live Q & A with Dr. Jay Tischendorf
- 10:00 – 11:00am **Top Five Invasive Pests**
Mike Bentley, NPMA
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 7A & RT
Mike will discuss the most recent offenders including the spotted lantern fly.
- 11:00 – 11:30am Live Q & A with Mike Bentley
- 12:00 – 1:00pm **Regulatory Update**
Dave Scott, Office of the Indiana State Chemist
Indiana CCHs: 1 each in 1, 2, 3A, 3B, 4, 5, 6, 7A, 7B, 7D, 8, 12 & RT
Dave will update the group on latest developments on the regulatory front.
- 1:00 – 1:30pm Live Q & A with Dave Scott

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